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In re the Application of:

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Examiner: E. Luk

For: INJECTION MECHANISM OF INJECTION MOLDING MACHINE

AMENDMENT

Assistant Commissioner for Patents
Washington, D.C. 20231

Sir:

This is in response to the Office Action mailed March 12, 2003, and having a period for response set to expire on June 12, 2003.

The following amendments and remarks are respectfully submitted. Reconsideration of the claims is respectfully requested.

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IN THE CLAIMS:

Please **AMEND** claims 1, 4 and 7 as follows:

1. (ONCE AMENDED) An injection mechanism of an injection molding machine using a linear motor as a driving source for driving an injection screw shaft in the axial direction, wherein the linear motor comprises:

a movable section linked to the injection screw shaft and extending in the axial direction;
an outer frame; and

a fixed section detachably attached to the outer frame and extending in the axial direction while facing the movable section, wherein

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